PCB PSDS 09-01—Juvenile proceedings ORIGINAL

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to juvenile proceedings; repealing Florida

Rule of Juvenile Procedure 8.165; providing an effective

date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. The Legislature finds that s. 985.033 defines the substantive scope of a child's right to counsel in juvenile court proceedings and that this section has not been found to be constitutionally invalid in any case or controversy. The Legislature finds that Rule 8.165(a), Florida Rules of Juvenile Procedure, relating to the duty of the court to provide counsel to parties, is a substantive expansion of the right to legal counsel beyond what has been authorized by the Legislature.

Rule 8.165(a), Florida Rules of Juvenile Procedure, relating to the duty of the court to provide counsel to parties, is repealed.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming law, provided this act is enacted by two-thirds vote of the membership of each house of the Legislature.

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